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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of 10/09/02, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please change the paragraph starting on page 10, line 9 to read as follows:

-- The apparatus 1 operates as follows. The stuffed natural intestine casing 12 is transported by the transporting means 11 at a predetermined speed, the straight portion 5B on the stuffing tube 4 is pulled out from the distal end 4A, and the shirred portion 5A, while passing through the hole portion 9B and the hole portion 10A by being pulled by the straight portion 5B, changes into the straight portion 5B, and moves on the stuffing tube 4 toward the distal end 4A, so that the length 11 of the shirred portion 5A decreases gradually. The straight portion 5B undergoes a reduction of its inside diameter by being pulled, and its inner surface is substantially

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